



COUGAR NEWS



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Clavet School

ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

Congratulations to our Junior B Boys basketball team who finished first in the CVAC championships. Congratulations also to the Junior A Boys team who finished their season with a bronze medal win. Our senior boys team is currently finishing up their regular season tournament play in preparation for their playoff run. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our coaches, and especially our community coaches who have volunteered their time and expertise to help guide these programs. We have been challenged this year because due to construction, we have not been able to host any games. However, the teams have been working around the construction to continue with their training. Thanks for all for your flexibility in making this work.

Our construction project continues to move forward with some large parts of the project now under way. The central part of our school has now been completely demolished, with only the floor remaining from the section that used to be the offices and main hallway. Thanks to the staff students for their flexibility in working around these challenges.

This week, we returned from the February break to a maskless Monday. I was surprised to see how many of our students embraced the opportunity to doff their face coverings. So far our students have been very appropriate in showing respect for the choices that staff and students are making around wearing masks. We are also thankful that we are not seeing the same level of absences that we experienced in our return from the Christmas break. We are hopeful that this trend will continue.

Next week we have our interviews scheduled for the 3rd quarter classes. Parents will now have the option of an in-person interview, a video-conference interview, or a telephone interview. Many have mentioned their appreciation for these options.

Just before the break, we met with our grade 12 parents in preparation for the planning of our graduation. We are very much looking forward to a return to what we are calling a regular grad. This is yet another positive sign of change in the right direction.

Stay safe.

MARCH

CLAVET PRE-KINDERGARTEN



The Clavet Pre-Kindergarten program for children born in 2018-2019 runs Monday to Thursday 9am-12pm. Applications will be available soon, please check the PSSD website. Children must be three years old by September 1st. Please call the office at 306-933-1022 or email christine.findlater@spiritsd.ca for more information.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION



Registration forms are available on the PSSD website as well as our website under Student Registration. Please be sure to include the special request and bus forms. If you have questions or concerns about your child starting kindergarten, please call or email Tracy Fitzsimmons at 306-933-1022 or tracy.fitzsimmons@spiritsd.ca



PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Please book your Parent Teacher interviews online at clavetschool.coconutcalendar.com

Gr. 10-12 interviews are
Tuesday, March 8
3:30 – 6:10 pm

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- Jr. Badminton will be starting on Tues., March 8 @ 3:15-4:30 pm, contact Mrs. Shabatoski for more information
- Sr. Badminton will be starting on Wed., March 9 @ 3:15-4:30 pm, contact Mr. Nickel for more information

DATES TO NOTE

MARCH 7	PREPARATION TIME – NO CLASSES
MARCH 8	GR 10-12 PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS 3:30–6:10
MARCH 17	ST PATRICK’S DAY
MARCH 22	K-9 REPORT CARDS
MARCH 30	K PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS 8:30 AM –6:00 PM
MARCH 30	GR 1-9 PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS 3:30-6:10 PM
MARCH 31	GR K-9 PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS 3:30-6:10 PM

Lost & Found

Lost and found tables have been set up for students to claim any lost items. Please encourage your child(ren) to look for anything that they have lost. Items not claimed will be donated soon.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Local Substitute E.A.'s are needed at Clavet School
Those interested please apply on the PSSD website www.spiritsd.ca

Clavet Skating Club is proud
to present



On-Ice
Seating
\$10

Off-Ice
Seating
\$5

TOY STORY

5 and under free

Saturday March 12th @ 7:00pm
&
Sunday March 13th @ 1:30pm

Tickets available at the door
or
preorder your preferred seats by email
info@clavetskatingclub.com





PSSD Celebrates Family Literacy

"Children spend five times as much time outside the classroom as they do in school, so parents and caregivers need the tools to support their learning."

(*The Read-Aloud Handbook, Jim Trelease, 2006*)

February 2022

Supporting Family Literacy

We know that a strong partnership between schools and families is crucial for student success. January's *Family Literacy Day* allowed us to access some excellent tools to share with our families, and we wanted to make sure you had these available to you.

Family Literacy Day, an initiative of ABC Life Literacy Canada, raises awareness about the importance of reading and engaging in other literacy-related activities as a family. Taking time every day to read or do a learning activity with children is crucial to a child's development and can dramatically improve a child's literacy skills.

Here are some ways schools can work with families to encourage Family Literacy activities:

- Share this [activity book](#) with your families – there are great activities to promote outdoor activity and literacy!
- Include a monthly literacy challenge in the newsletter – encourage families to share pictures and include those in the next newsletter.
- Send home lists of great books for different reading levels in your school – get some ideas [here](#) but be sure to also include student and teacher recommendations
- Encourage parents to be reading role models by sharing this statistic: 57% of kids who are frequent readers have parents who read books 5–7 days per week (*Kids and Family Reading Report – Scholastic, 2017*).

Is your school interested in setting up an Outdoor Story Walk on your school grounds? We have laminated copies of *When the Trees Crackle with Cold: A Cree Calendar* by Bernice Johnson-Laxdal and Miriam Korner. You can use the Story Walk to encourage families to visit the school and participate in a literacy activity together! Any schools wishing to book this Story Walk can do so by contacting [Hali Hamel](#).



2022 Theme: Learning in the Great Outdoors

Spending time in nature provides many benefits, not just for bodies, but for minds too. This year, get outside and exercise both your mind and body together as a family. You can make outdoor time fun family learning time all while enjoying the wonders of Canada's Great Outdoors!

Click here to find out more about [Why outdoor play is more important than ever!](#)

Share this [Outdoor Scavenger Hunt](#) or encourage students to create their own!



Information from abclifeliteracy.ca

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